Patent claims

- A method for producing a dispersible natural fertiliser from horse manure, characterized in that the horse droppings excreted by horses are collected and processed within a certain time frame which covers preservation of the natural humidity and loose structure of the horse droppings as much as possible.
- A method according to claim 1, characterized in that the horse droppings are separated from other constituents present, like straw, urine straw, other litter or foreign matter.
- A method according to claim 1 or 2, characterized in that the particular structure of the horse droppings is destroyed and the horse droppings are crushed roughly.
- 4. A method according to any one of claims 1 to 3, characterized in that the horse droppings are crushed mechanically.
- A method according to any one of claims 1 to 4,
 characterized in that
 the horse droppings are spread prior to the mechanical crushing.
- 6. A method according to any one of claims 1 to 5, characterized in that the spread horse droppings are crushed mechanically by means of a blower vacuum shredder.

- 7. A method according to any one of claims 1 to 3, characterized in that the horse droppings are crushed by animals.
- 8. A method according to any one of claims 1 to 3 and 5, characterized in that the horse droppings are crushed by domestic chickens.
- A method according to any one of claims 1 to 3, 5 or 6,
 characterized in that
 the chickens used are kept in a ventilated, closed room and in a deep-litter system.
- 10. A method according to any one of claims 1 to 9, characterized in that the crushed horse droppings are dried.
- 11. A method according to any one of claims 1 to 10, characterized in that the crushed horse droppings are air dried or dried in the sun with aeration.
- 12. A method according to any one of claims 1 to 11, characterized in that the air drying takes place on flat, roofed surfaces or on grating pervious to air.
- 13. A method according to any one of claims 1 to 12, characterized in that the initial drying is continued until humidity has dropped by approx. 50%.

- 14. A method according to any one of claims 1 to 13, characterized in that the initially dried and roughly crushed horse droppings are finally dried to a residual humidity of approx. 5% for the production of chaff.
- 15. A method according to any one of claims 1 to 14,characterized in thata granular material is produced from the initially dried and crushed horse droppings.
- 16. A method according to any one of claims 1 to 15, characterized in that the granular material is produced in an extruder.
- 17. A method according to claim 16,characterized in thatthe horse droppings are not crushed prior to the extrusion.
- 18. A method according to any one of claims 1 to 17, characterized in that the residual humidity is adjusted to approx. 5% in the final drying after granulation.
- 19. A method according to any one of claims 1 to 18, characterized in that the horse droppings are processed within one week from the time of their excretion.
- 20. A method according to any one of claims 1 to 18, characterized in that the horse droppings are processed within six months, excluding weather impacts like temperature, humidity and sun irradiation.

21. A method according to any one of claims 1 to 20, characterized in that micro-organisms, such as lactic acid bacteria, photo synthesis bacteria, yeasts, actiomycetes and noble mould are added.

22. A natural fertiliser,

produced by

collecting horse droppings and processing these within a certain time frame which covers preservation of the natural humidity and loose structure of the horse droppings as much as possible.

23. A natural fertiliser according to claim 22,

produced by

separation of other constituents present, like straw, urine straw, other litter or foreign matter from the horse droppings.

- 24. A natural fertiliser according to claim 22 or 23, produced by
 - destroying the particular structure of the horse droppings and crushing them roughly.
- 25. A natural fertiliser according to any one of claims 22 to 24, produced by mechanical crushing of the horse droppings.
- 26. A natural fertiliser according to any one of claims 22 to 25, produced by spreading the horse droppings prior to crushing them mechanically.

- 27. A natural fertiliser according to any one of claims 22 to 26, produced by crushing the spread horse droppings mechanically by means of a blower vacuum shredder.
- 28. A natural fertiliser according to any one of claims 22 to 24, produced by the use of animals to crush the horse droppings.
- 29. A natural fertiliser according to any one of claims 22 to 24 and 26, produced by the use of domestic chickens to crush the horse droppings.
- 30. A natural fertiliser according to any one of claims 22 to 24, 26 or 27, produced by the use of chickens kept in an airy, closed deep-litter room.
- 31. A natural fertiliser according to any one of claims 22 to 30, produced by drying the crushed horse droppings.
- 32. A natural fertiliser according to any one of claims 22 to 31, produced by drying the crushed horse droppings by air drying or ventilated sun drying.
- 33. A natural fertiliser according to any one of claims 22 to 32, produced by air drying on flat, roofed areas or on grating pervious to air.
- 34. A natural fertiliser according to any one of claims 22 to 33, produced by initial drying to a reduction in humidity of approx. 50%.

- 35. A natural fertiliser according to any one of claims 22 to 34, produced by final drying of the initially dried and roughly crushed horse droppings to a residual humidity of approx. 5% for the production of chaff.
- 36. A natural fertiliser according to any one of claims 22 to 35, produced by granular material production from the partially dried and crushed horse droppings.
- 37. A natural fertiliser according to any one of claims 22 to 36, produced by making a granular material in an extruder.
- 38. A natural fertiliser according to claim 37,produced byextruding the horse droppings without prior crushing.
- 39. A natural fertiliser according to any one of claims 22 to 38, produced by final drying of the granulated material to an adjusted residual humidity of approx. 5%.
- 40. A natural fertiliser according to any one of claims 22 to 39, produced by processing of the horse droppings within one week from the time of their excretion.
- 41. A natural fertiliser according to any one of claims 22 to 39, produced by processing the horse droppings within six months under the exclusion of the impacts of weather, like temperature, humidity and sun irradiation.

- 42. A natural fertiliser according to any one of claims 22 to 41, produced by adding micro-organisms, like lactic acid bacteria, photo synthesis bacteria, yeasts, actiomycetes and noble mould.
- 43. A natural fertiliser consisting of formed and dried horse droppings material.
- 44. A natural fertiliser according to claim 43, characterized in that micro-organisms like lactic acid bacteria, photo synthesis bacteria, yeasts, actiomycetes and noble mould are contained.
- 45. A natural fertiliser according to claim 43 or 44, characterized in that the horse droppings material is granulated.
- 46. A natural fertiliser according to any one of claims 43 to 45, characterized in that the horse droppings material is adequately chopped to form chaff.
- 47. A natural fertiliser according to any one of claims 43 to 46, characterized in that it contains less than 5% residual humidity.